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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
(Case No. 00-713-i16)

In re Application of:	)	
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Chad A. Mirkin, et al.	)	
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Serial No.: 09/976,601	)	Examiner: Jezia Riley
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Filed: October 12, 2001	)	Art Unit: 1637
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For: NANOPARTICLES HAVING	)	Confirmation No.: 4367
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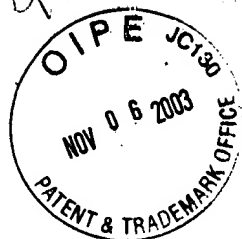
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**RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION OF MAY 12, 2003**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please consider the following amendments and remarks in response to the Office Action mailed May 12, 2003. A Petition for an extension of time (three months) and requisite fee are attached herewith.



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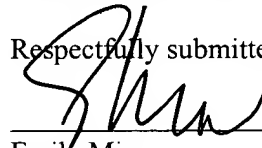
Sir:

In regard to the above identified application.

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:
  - a) Response to Office Action dated May 12, 2003 with Appendix A
  - b) Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time
  - c) Copy of 6<sup>th</sup> Supp. Information Disclosure Statement, PTO 1449 form, and PTO stamped postcard
  - d) Return Receipt Postcard
2. With respect to fees:
  - a) A check in the amount of \$475.00 is enclosed.
  - b) General Authorization: Please charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2490.
3. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.10: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described in paragraph 1 hereinabove, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee", addressed to the Asst. Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on this 6 day of November, 2003 under the Express Mail label No. EV3336322388US.

Date: 11/6/03

Respectfully submitted,

  
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